

New Circulation System and Other Changes Being Adopted by the "Bat"

Student subscribers to The Battalion for the current session were pleasantly surprised Saturday morning, when a new distribution system was put into effect for the first time.

In years gone by, the method of distribution involved having freshmen of each organization on the campus bring Battalion subscription cards down to the mailing room in the basement of the Administration Building, receiving the correct number of copies for their respective "outfits", and taking them back to distribute more or less haphazardly from room to room.

But now a new system has been inaugurated—one which the staff believes and hopes will prove successful and much more satisfactory. After prolonged consideration, E. L. Angell, manager of student publications, and H. G. Howard, '39-'40 circulation manager, worked out a new plan by which paid student helpers take the newspapers and distribute them in each of the halls to all who have subscribed.

In the past, the paper was given out to the freshmen late in the evening; now it is distributed by these workers early every morning—before 8 a. m.

The Battalion staff hopes that this new system will prove satisfactory to subscribers. Other new features and changes moreover, are planned to more nearly satisfy the readers. These include several more new, legible headline types which are now being put in use, new

columns which should prove of general interest, the most careful proofreading possible, and more complete news coverage of buildings and offices, campus clubs and military organizations.

The Battalion newspaper is being published this year three times a week, for the first time. Last year it was published twice a week, and always before that once weekly. This increase in number of issues makes necessary a considerably larger staff. The first full staff meeting will be Tuesday night (tonight) immediately after yell practice in The Battalion Office, room 122 of the Administration Building. All those interested in becoming regular workers on the staff of either The Battalion newspaper or magazine are being invited to attend.

New deadlines, being enforced this year for the first time, require that all notices—official, church, personal, club, and otherwise—be in the office by 5 p. m. and all copy by 6 p. m., that the paper start being made up at 8 p. m. and go to press at 10 p. m., the day before it is issued, in each case. Midnight crews print it and prepare it for circulation early the next morning.

It is highly important that the deadline for notices and for stories be observed by all those desiring to get them in any issue. The Battalion invites contributions of stories of interest to the subscribers from all sources.

The staff of The Battalion for this 64th session of A. & M. is headed by Bill Murray as editor-in-chief of the tri-weekly newspaper and the monthly humor magazine, with associate editor James Critz and Ray Treadwell and Charlie Wilkinson as managing editors of the magazine and George Fuermann its junior editor. E. C. "Jeep" Oates is sports editor for both publications, and H. O. "Hub" Johnson is intramural editor. Phil Gol-

2,636 Boys Fill Twelve Huge New Dorms to Limit

Two thousand six hundred and thirty-six Texas Aggies are now housed in the twelve new dormitories at A. & M. built with the new mess hall at a cost of \$2,000,000 loaned the college by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, according to the latest official figure released by the Commandant's Office.

This number taxes the capacity of these new halls to the limit. All rooms in all dormitories old and new, and all seventeen campus project houses have been filled, and students may now live off the campus in approved quarters, under the terms of the ruling adopted August 19 by the Board of Directors of the college in session here.

But no more is it necessary for campus students to live three deep in a room. Only two are allowed. The new dormitories are the latest word in construction and convenience. The rooms are designed to care for two students each and afford them ample space.

Good Room Equipment
Each room is equipped with a clothes closet for each occupant. In the closet is a shoe and boot rack, a clothes bar and two large shelves. They are built in on each side of the door and furnish a small hallway entrance. The two-decker bed will be placed on the side of the room opposite the wash basin. Behind the bed and next to the large window will be one study table and directly across the room will be the other. The large six-drawer black walnut finished metallic dresser will be next to the basin. Above the basin is a lotion and shaving cabinet. In the back of the cabinet is a slot for discarding razor blades. The container for the blades is large enough never to require emptying.

Above each man's desk is a book shelf and next to it is a bulletin board on which he can tack papers and pictures without damaging the walls. The doors to the room are metal and close-fitting and have fool-proof locks on them. There is a six-inch clearance between the bottom of the door and the floor for ventilation and for washing the rooms out. The lavatories and the shower rooms are located at each end of every floor near the stairs. There are two stairways in each hall.

Gun, Equipment Rooms
One room in each hall will be used as a gun and equipment room. These rooms have been built with bars on the windows for protection to the expensive equipment that they will house.

Three of the dormitories are a little different in arrangement while the other nine are identical. Kiest Hall is equipped with a reception room and YMCA lounge. The band hall at the southeast end of the addition has a large rehearsal hall on the fourth floor. The athletic dormitory is equipped with heat rooms and rubbing tables so that treatment to injuries may be made at home and at night. The new dining hall at the south end is the primary unit, although the old hall is continued. The new eating place has two large dining rooms with the kitchen between them. The basement is used as a storeroom for supplies.

Park in Center
A large courtlike park is in the center with the dormitories built around it. Gravel walkways connect all of the halls and also lead to the class buildings. The Band, being split into two parts, the infantry band and the artillery band, will furnish marching music for both dining halls at meal time formations.

man is staff photographer, and John J. Moseley is staff artist, for both. Handling the advertising end of both publications is Larry Wehrle as advertising manager, with Don Burk, J. W. "Moe" Jenkins, and Sam Davenport as his assistants. H. G. Howard, circulation manager, is being assisted by Ross Howard and Don McChesney. Junior assistants on the newspaper include Earle Shields, George Fuermann, H. G. Talbot, Billy Clarkson, A. J. Robinson, Cecil DeVilbiss, Bob Nisbet, Frank Phelan, and Don K. Hill. Fuermann is writer of the new magazine and newspaper column "Backwash", and Nisbet is movie editor for both publications. News columnists for the newspaper will be Dr. R. W. Steen, "Count" V. K. Sugareff, and Dr. Al B. Nelson of the Department of History.

New Hall Assignments

Organizations that have been assigned to the new halls are Field Artillery, Infantry, Chemical Warfare, Signal Corps, and Band. All of the military organizations this year are composed almost completely of military students, a thing that has not been possible for years because of the too little housing facilities.

The American Legion has also built a large building on the campus where World War veterans' sons may stay. This building has been constructed at a cost of approximately \$20,000 and accommodates 89 boys.

Visitors may now get a look at the real Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas. The old student customs and traditions will again put in their appearance after many years of hiding because half of the students were dwellers away from the campus.

Ag Eco Department Offers New Course On South America

South America—its industries, agriculture, and commerce—is a new course to be offered the first term by the Department of Agricultural Economics, according to J. Wheeler Barger, head of the department.

"The course is being introduced," stated Mr. Barger, "to meet the need of a growing number of majors in marketing and finance and other curricula who, after graduation, find employment in South America; and to give all who take the course a general understanding of the resources, industries, and commerce of the Latin-American countries. Officials of the United States Departments of State and of Agriculture have advised the offering of such courses in colleges of this area.

"Our trade with South America is highly important. In 1937, we obtained 21.7 per cent of our total imports from these countries, and in turn sold them 17.2 per cent of all the goods we exported. We were the chief seller to 16 and the chief buyer from 15 of the 20 Latin-American republics. Of our 20 reciprocal trade treaties ten are with Latin-American countries. The present European war may give us the opportunity of advancing materially our existing decisive lead in Latin-American trade.

"The cultural and economic ties between the United States and Latin-America are rapidly developing," concluded Mr. Barger. "The United States Departments of State and of Agriculture have lately been fostering by various means the advancement of commercial and cultural inter-American relations. Important considerations in such progress is the education of ourselves generally about the Latin-Americas and the preparation of men for business and technical life in their countries."

Raiford A. Roberts, '26, has recently changed his address to 701 Newhouse Building, Salt Lake City, Utah. His former address was 707 Thorpe Building, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

KYLE FIELD IS REMODELED FOR '39 GRID SEASON

Kyle Field, the home of the Texas Aggie athletic teams, is in perfect shape for the new year and is ready and waiting for the first home game when the Cadets entertain the Centenary Gentlemen here September 30. The other three home games include Baylor, S.M.U., and Texas.

Early last spring the football turf was plowed up, fertilized, and replanted with grass. Since that time the groundkeeper has been busy getting the field to resemble a soft sure-footed grass rug.

Not only has the playing field, which will be used four times this fall, been reworked, but also the two practice fields. This will mark the first year that the practice fields have offered a turf and footing like the playing field inside the giant concrete bowl.

The "red dog" track where the conference meet was held last spring has been worked and rolled and will be in shape for the cinder-men next spring, while serving as a red border for the green field during football season. The Kyle Field color scheme is the white stadium encircling the red track which borders the green playing field.

The roof over the gymnasium has been reworked during the summer and the large crowds coming to see the inside sports will be well-protected from the elements.

Frank Richardson, '35, is a petroleum engineer for the Lion Oil Company at El Dorado, Arkansas.

FORTY-THREE NEW INSTRUCTORS ADDED TO TEACHING STAFF

To provide adequate teaching facilities to an enlarged student body this year, 43 new instructors have been added to the A. & M. teaching staff, according to an announcement made by the office of Dean of the College, F. C. Bolton. These instructors are to fill new offices in the various departments of the school as well as to fill vacancies opened after the close of school last spring.

This does not include the graduate assistantships in each department or the fellowships offered here.

The following men have been added to the teaching staff and are listed with their respective departments:

- N. D. Durst, Accounting and Statistics
- Price Hobgood, Agricultural Engineering
- Howard Golden, Agricultural Economics
- J. L. Sowell, Agricultural Education
- F. C. Jensen, Agricultural Education
- T. E. McAfee, Agronomy
- W. R. Cowley, Agronomy
- Roy L. Donahue, Agronomy
- Baron R. Dana, Animal Husbandry
- Prof. T. B. Thompson, Architecture
- Dr. G. E. Potter, Biology
- Wm. G. Huey, Chemistry and Chemical Engineering
- Dr. J. W. Bouknight, Chemistry and Chemical Engineering
- E. L. Harrington, Civil Engineering
- E. M. White Jr., Commandant
- R. B. Price, English
- W. H. Hall, English
- Wm. B. Wilburn, English
- Carroll Laverty, English

- R. E. Patterson, Genetics
- C. B. Fortenberry, History
- M. F. Nelson, History
- G. L. Gross, Mathematics
- W. W. Gandy, Mathematics
- Prof. E. S. Holdredge, Mechanical Engineering
- Major A. G. Wing, Military Science and Tactics
- Major O. McIntyre, Military Science and Tactics
- Major E. Burnelt, Military Science and Tactics
- Dr. C. Connell, Municipal and Sanitary Engineering
- Prof. P. Martin, Petroleum Engineering
- S. S. Share, Physics
- Dean W. Stebbins, Physics
- C. G. White, Physical Education
- A. D. Adamson, Physical Education
- Dr. H. P. Shoeman, Veterinary Anatomy
- Dr. Carl Fink, Veterinary Medicine
- David B. Thrift, Y. M. C. A. (Assistant Secretary)

Monroe U. May, '37, has been transferred as assistant county agent from Ellis County to Lubbock County, where his headquarters will be Lubbock, Texas.

Classes in Speech emphasizing voice training, impromptu speaking, and public speaking for college and high school students are now being organized by Mrs. Wood. Phone College 305 or call at the Boyett Apt. No. 4 for appointment.

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